SECTION 5. The provisions of the revised statutes CHAPTER 256. of the state of Wisconsin, in regard to the punishment Application of for illegal voting, are hereby made applicable to the election herein provided for; and at such election, any elector of any town of said county may have and exercise the right to challenge any vote or votes of any person or persons, at the poll of any other town in said county, who shall offer to vote upon the removal of the county seat as above provided for.

SECTION 6. If a majority of all the votes cast at Effect. such election in said county, on this question, shall be "for removal," then this act shall be in full force and effect from and after the first day of December, 1861:

Section 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 13, 1861.

CHAPTER 256.

[Published April 19, 1861.]

AN ACT to enable the city of Madison to arrange and settle its indebtedness, and for other purposes.

The People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The mayor and common council of the Common council city of Madison, are hereby authorized to issue bonds to one half am't of said city to an amount not exceeding one-half the fore issued to M. amount of bonds and coupons now due, of bonds of *W.R.R. said city heretofore issued to aid in the construction of the Madison and Watertown railroad, the same to be in full settlement and discharge of said outstanding bonds and coupons of bonds, agreeably to the provisions of this act.

SECTION 2. The bonds authorized to be issued by bonds, and rate the preceding section, shall be for such amounts, not of interest. exceeding one thousand dollars each, as shall be found most convenient and practicable in carrying out the provisions of this act, and bearing interest semi-annually, with coupons of interest attached, from January 1st, 1862; the interest on the same to be at the rate of

CHAPTER 256 three per cent. per annum for the years 1862, 1863 and 1864, four per cent. per annum for the years 1865 and 1866, five per cent. per annum for the years 1867 and 1868, and six per cent. per annum for such period thereafter as the said bonds may be made to extend.

May issue bonds to one-half am't of municipal and cometery bonds.

Section 3. The mayor and common council of said city, are also hereby authorized to issue bonds of said city to an amount not exceeding one-half the amount of bonds and coupons now due, of bonds heretofore issued by said city, commonly known as municipal bonds, and cemetery bonds, the same to be in full discharge of said outstanding bonds and coupons of bonds, agreeably to the provisions of this act.

Denomination of bonds and rate of interest.

Section 4. The bonds authorized to be issued by the preceding sections, shall be for such amounts, not exceeding one thousand dollars each, as shall be found most convenient and practicable in carrying out the provisions of this act, and bearing interest semi-annually, with coupons of interest attached, at six percent. per annum, from the first day of January, A. D. 1862.

Bonds to be de. posited with state treasurer.

All the bonds authorized to be issued Section 5. by this act, as soon as executed, shall be deposited with the state treasurer, and shall be paid out and delivered by the state treasurer in the manner hereinafter provided; and if put in circulation in any other manner or for any other purpose, said bonds shall be void as against said city; and such bonds and the interest Where and when thereon shall be made payable at some place in the city of New York, at such time or times as the common council shall determine, not less than ten years from the passage of this act.

Commissioners .their duties.

payable.

John Y. Smith, Samuel Marshall and SECTION 6. George P. Delaplaine are hereby appointed commissioners to negotiate an exchange of the bonds authorized to be issued by this act, for the bonds heretofore issued by said city, and mentioned in the first and third sections, but not at a rate exceeding fifty cents on the dollar for principal and unpaid interest on the same, nor shall any interest be allowed in making such exchange on such bonds, after the 1st day of January, A. D. 1862. When any of said bonds shall have been surrendered to said commissioners, they shall give an order on the state treasurer for the delivery of such an amount of bonds as shall have been negotiated in such exchange, which shall be delivered by the state treasurer from the bonds deposited with him, upon such CHAPTER 256. order, signed by a majority of said commissioners.

SECTION 7. Upon the surrender of any bonds, the old bonds. commissioners shall cancel and deliver the same to the mayor, who shall cause a description thereof to be entered on record by the city clerk, and shall burn the same in the presence of the common council.

Annual tax for

Section 8. At the time designated for that purpose, interest, &c. the common council of the city of Madison may, annually, levy such taxes for the current expenses of the city, and for the support of schools, as is authorized by law, and shall also levy an amount of taxes for interest upon bonds, sufficient to pay the interest for one year on the bonds issued under this act, and upon the bonds issued to aid in the enlargement of the state capitol, but shall levy no taxes for any other purpose whatever. All coupons that may be due upon any of the bonds mentioned in this section, shall be received in payment of any tax levied to pay the same, but for no other purpose.

In the year 1870, and annually thereaf- When principal to be paid. Section 9. ter, the common council of said city shall, in addition to the tax levied for the payment of interest on said bonds, levy and collect by tax a sufficient sum to pay off the entire principal, and discharge in full said bonds, by the time they shall become due; which tax shall be denominated the sinking fund tax. From time to time, when an amount shall accrue in the treasury, belonging to the sinking fund, sufficient to purchase one or more of the bonds issued under this act, it shall be ap-Application of plied to the purchase of said bonds, until they are all the sinking fund redeemed; and no money arising from the sinking fund tax shall be applied or appropriated for any other purpose whatever.

Section 10. If, in negotiating an exchange of any M. & W. R. R. of the bonds issued to aid the Madison and Watertown red by officers or railroad company, the commissioners shall be satisfied Jan. 1, 1858. that such bonds are held or controlled by, or have been transferred since the first day of January, 1858, by any officer or agent of said railroad company, the said commissioners shall not give any of the bonds authorized to be issued by this act, in exchange for any such bonds so held, controlled or transferred.

Section 11. The commissioners created by this act Componsation of shall receive no compensation for their services, and if

CHAPTER 209. any vacancy shall occur by death or refusal to act, the mayor shall appoint some other person to fill such vacancy.

Special tax to re leem lot on which city hall stands.

Repeal.

Section 12. The common council shall have full and ample power and authority, by a two-thirds vote thereof, to make such provision as they may deem proper and necessary to protect the lot on which the city hall stands, from being lost to the city or from sale under a certain mortgage now in process of foreclosure, which existed on said lot at the time of its purchase by the city; and for this purpose, may levy a special tax by a two-thirds vote as aforesaid.

SECTION 13. All acts and parts of acts relating to the city of Madison, contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and pub-

lication.

Approved April 13, 1861.

CHAPTER 269.

[Published April 22, 1861.]

AN ACT to repeal a portion of chapter 230, of the general laws of 1860, entitled "an act to remit to the county of Portage certain indebtedness to the state," and to authorize and direct the secretary of state and state treasurer to charge a sum of money therein named to the county of Portage.

The People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Repeal.

Section 1. So much of section one of chapter 230 of the general laws of 1860, as directs the secretary of state and state treasurer to charge to the county of Wood the sum of one thousand three hundred and thirty-one dollars and seventy-five cents, and in which is credited said amount to Portage county, is hereby repealed.

\$1331,75 to be recharged Porcounty.

Section 2. The secretary of state and state treasurer are hereby directed to recharge to the county of recharged rot are thereby directed to recharge to the scale, stage country, and Portage the sum of one thousand three hundred and thirty-one dollars and seventy-five cents, which, by the direction contained in chapter 230 of the general